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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Toshihiro OOUCHI

SERIAL NO: 09/988,136

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FOR: COST ESTIMATION METHOD, COST ESTIMATION APPARATUS, PRODUCT MANUFACTURING ESTIMATION METHOD AND PRODUCT MANUFACTURING ESTIMATION APPARATUS

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**AMENDMENT**

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In response to the Office Action dated July 31, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 9 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 16 of this paper.